

removing the "established business relationship" qualification from the fax regulations is absolutely bad for the association's business and the business of my members, forcing associations and other companies to obtain the written consent of their own members, clients and industry partners before transmitting any fax that could be interpreted as commercial in nature is ridiculous; We can add permission to our membership applications, but what happens if they change fax numbers or e-mail addresses? Do we need to get fresh permission? The association community has already raised numerous concerns about the new regulations that remain a subject of speculation, including exactly which transmissions the FCC would interpret as commercial in nature, whether written consent to a national association would extend to chapter or affiliate faxes, and whether a written consent form would expire with membership, for example. For instance is it a commercial transmission to send the members a notice of an education course (which they pay to attend) that will discuss important issues?